ATTORNEY DOCKET 016295.1559 (DC-05989 PATENT APPLICATION

1

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I believe I am original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled *Breakaway*Foam Packing, the specification of which (check one):

X is attached hereto; or	
was filed on	as
Application Serial No.	
and was amended on	(if applicable);

that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

		e ^c	Priority
		Date	Claimed
Number Country	<u>Filed</u>	(Ycs) (No)	
None			

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37

ATTORNEY, DOCKET 016295.1559 (DC-05989 PATENT APPLICATION

2

C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application

Date

Serial Number

Filed

Status

None

I hereby appoint:

Henry Garrana

Reg. No. 27,887

Anthony E. Peterman

Reg. No. 38,270

Chad Anson

Reg. No. 44,510

of Dell Inc., and the following:

Practitioners at Customer Number 23640,

23640

23640

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

all of the firm of Baker Botts L.L.P., my attorneys and/or patent agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file and prosecute any international patent applications filed thereon before any international authorities.

Send Correspondence To: Customer No. 23640

Customer No. 23640 Baker Botts L.L.P.

One Shell Plaza

910 Louisiana

Houston, Texas 77002-4995

Direct Telephone Calls To:

Patrick J. Porter at 512.322.2690

Attorney Docket 016295.1559

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2004-01-08

08:45

5127280302

80702

ATTORNEY DOCKET 016295.1559 (DC-05989

PATENT APPLICATION

3

Full name of the Inventor

Inventor's Signature:

Date:

Residence (City, County, State):

Citizenship: Post Office Address:

James E. Manuel

1/8/2004 Austin, Williamson County, Texas

United States of America

7803 Petaca Trail

Austin, Texas 78729